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Dear Ms. Hughes:

This is to certify that on April 25, 2002 the American Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange") received from BlackRock Maryland Municipal Bond Trust (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A for the registration of the following security:

Shares of Beneficial Interest, \$0.001 par value

We further certify that the above-described security has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

cc: Herbert Scholl